

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

DNR-01

1 NAME

HISTORIC KELLOG HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

CROWTHER HOUSE

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

ROCKS STATE PARK

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES RESTRICTED
☐ YES UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

State of Maryland, Dept. of Natural Resources Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Tawes Office Building

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Belair

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED	(interior)	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Crowther house is a large coursed rubble stone structure of two storeys under a gable roof (ridge east-west) of moderate pitch. The facade (south elevation) is of three bays, a single door with narrow sidelights and a large transom as the entrance in the easternmost bay, up a short flight of stone steps. There is a single basement window on this elevation. Fenestration in the west gable end consists of two bays grouped centrally on both storeys and in the attic. There is a two bay addition at the west end of the north elevation, of two smaller storeys, with a gable roof at right angles to the main roof, its ridge just reaching the eaves of the main roof. The upper storey is accesible only through a separate entrance at the north gable end. The masonry is articulated by heavy dressed coins and granite sills and lintels. The seam in the masonry between the wing and the main block is easily discernible. There are iron "S" bolts at the attic floor level on both east and west gable ends. The north and south walls are finished with several courses of brick, concealed by boxed eaves. Windows are 6/6.

On the interior, the plan is largely intact, but details have been sacrificed. Large double parlor doors, hinged, were removed to unite the two downstairs rooms, and the fireplaces have been altered. The stair is a simple 1850's design and remains intact. The house was built over a spring, which still exists in the basement within a 7-foot diameter stone ring (dairy). The lower storey of the addition is accessible from the north room of the main block, and is used as a kitchen.

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1850 BUILDER/ARCHITECT for Ebenezer Kellog, probably

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This large stone structure is characteristic of substantial houses of the immediate Civil War period in Maryland, a generally Greek Revival house of obvious comfort and solidity, but lacking the elegant detail of its more cosmopolitan counterparts. The 1858 Sidney & Neff Map of Harford County shows a house occupied by a Kellog on the property. The earliest record of a Kellog ownership is in 1848 on one of four parcels which were purchased between that time and 1829 to form the consolidated tract of land which ultimately passed to the state. The house can thus probably be dated between 1848 and 1858. The land was previously associated with numerous members of the large local Street family.

Recommendations:

The interior of the house has very little remaining significant detail, so every effort should be made to preserve the main staircase. Otherwise, routine maintenance with an eye to upgrading the historic appearance of the house should be carried out. When a new roof is required, for example, it should be more appropriately done (with standing seam metal, perhaps). Any contemplated alterations or additions should be discussed with representatives of the Maryland Historical Trust.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deeds

Sidney & Neff Map

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Hnedak

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Hist. Trust/DNR Survey

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

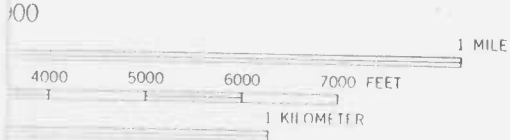
CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



20 FEET
DATUM OF 1929

4AP ACCURACY STANDARDS
Y. RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092
SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial
photographs taken 1974. This information not field checked

ROAD CLASSIFICATION	
Heavy-duty	—————
Medium duty	- - - - -
Light-duty	—————
Unimproved dirt
U. S. Route	⬡
State Route	◯

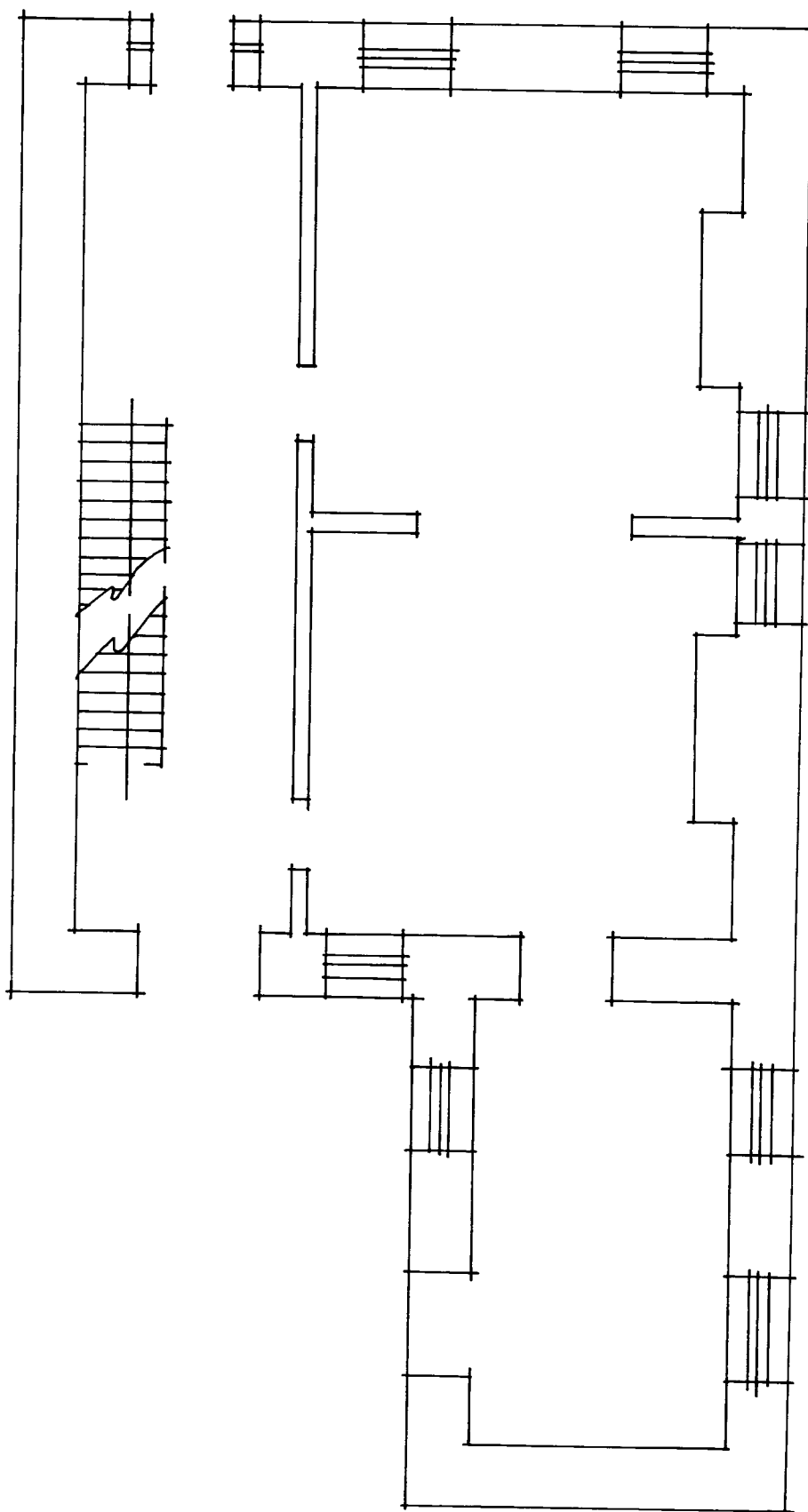
FAWN GROVE, MD.—PA.

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(BEL AIR)
5763 III SE




NORTH

KELLOGG HOUSE
(CROWTHER HOUSE)
DNR-ROCKS-01
HA-

FIRST FLOOR PLAN
SCALE $1/8'' = 1'$
(DIMENSIONS ARE
ONLY APPROXIMATIONS,
LOCATIONS OF DOORS,
WINDOWS, ETC. HAVE
BEEN ESTIMATED)





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